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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 28 with the following amended paragraph:

While these accounting ~~system~~ systems facilitate record keeping and may reduce data entry for internal transactions, transactions between ~~business~~ businesses have traditionally been handled by one businesses software system printing a document and the other business manually entering the transaction into their system using data from the document.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 6 with the following amended paragraph:

Each client system 24 and each of its division systems 40 may interface with the invoice management server 16 using at least one of the work station 28 and a an unattended interface module 30 34 that will establish a secure session with the invoice management server 16 over the network 12 for exchange of invoice transactions and remittance transactions.

Please delete the paragraph beginning at page 21, line 27 which starts with "It should be appreciated that"